

Reminded to Mr. R. S. There was a man who, after inheriting a fortune, thought it would be profitable to get away by himself and ruminate.

So he went into the woods, and he took his money and many books with him, and he ruminated and he studied, and in time he learned all his books by heart, and the philosophy of life was revealed to him.

Now, when his beard was long and white and his back was bent, he took the wealth that he had carried into the woods with him and returned to the haunts of men to do good with it. But it came to pass that a sharp Aleck got the philosopher's money away from him, and the people hooted when he applied to them for redress.

What shall I profit a man to know the philosophy of life, and not be up to snuff?

Great Mariner Artist. "Did you know that Maud Gillingham was engaged to a great mariner artist?" "No. How did she ever happen to get acquainted with a painter?" "He isn't a painter. He's a champion diver and bridge jumper."

Our troubles weary everybody except ourselves—that is to say, the recital of the same.

The attention of the readers of this paper is called to the advertisement of Mr. Chas. F. Scrivener of Austin, Texas, which appears in this issue. There is no subject in which the people of this section of the state are more deeply interested in than that of the sale of Public Free School Land. The present legislature which has just adjourned has passed an act placing upon the market 3,000,000 acres additional of the public domain of the state as school land. This act will take effect 90 days from the date of the adjournment of the legislature. In addition to this the forfeiture of former sales will now soon occur, so that at an early day there will be a great deal of school land on the market for sale. The information which Mr. Scrivener offers will prove valuable to every reader of this paper who feels an interest in school land matters, and who wishes to secure some of our public free school land. Mr. Scrivener is well qualified to render valuable assistance through his book to those who would otherwise be kept in ignorance of the means by which they can secure land. If you want to buy or lease any public land take advantage of this opportunity to inform yourself about it, as the state has made no provision for advertising the Public School Land and bringing it to the notice of those who are ignorant of the land and who want cheap homes.

Some people are guilty of working their conscience.

Are You Ever Depressed?

And is it not due to nervous exhaustion? Things always look so much brighter when we are in good health. How can you have courage when suffering with headache, nervous prostration and great physical weakness?

Would you not like to be rid of this depression of spirits? How? By removing the cause. By taking

Ayer's Sarsaparilla

It gives activity to all parts that carry away useless and poisonous materials from your body. It removes the cause of your suffering, because it removes all impurities from your blood. Send for our book on Nervousness.

To keep in good health you must have perfect action of the bowels. Ayer's Pills cure constipation and biliousness.

Write to our Doctors. "Perhaps you would like to benefit some distant physician about your condition. Then write to any of the physicians in your case. You will receive a prompt reply, without cost. Address, Dr. J. C. Ayer, Lowell, Mass."

KILL THEM

These pestiferous destroyers, the household flies. Dutcher's Fly Killer not only kills the present fly, but prevents reproduction. A sheet will kill a quart.

Ask your Druggist or Grocer. PRICE, DUTCHER'S FLY KILLER, 25 CENTS PER BOX.

Quite Upset Them. Rear Admiral Kenny, the new paymaster general of the navy, has created almost a panic in his office at Washington by issuing a stringent order against the reading of newspapers during business hours, writing private letters or engaging in conversation except relating to business. As these are favorite methods of killing time with some of the older clerks, the order quite upsets them.

J. BULL, LAND THIEF.

ALWAYS ON ALERT FOR WHAT IS NOT HIS.

How Oregon Was Saved from His Capacious Paw—The Story of a Ride Across the Continent, by Fred Myron Colby.

There is a story of a ride, back in the middle of the century, that should be more familiar to our boys and girls. It was a far more important ride than Paul Revere's. The hero of Longfellow's famous poem rode eighteen miles, one summer night, to arouse a few sleeping patriots, and so saved the gunpowder at Concord. The ride of Marcus Whitman was over snow-capped mountains and along dark ravines, traveled only by savage beasts and savage men. It was a plunge through icy rivers, and across trackless prairies, a ride of four thousand miles across a continent, in the dead of winter, to save a mighty territory to the Union. There are few events in American history more striking than this, or more deserving of remembrance. It is a story that a patriotic people ought never to forget. The country now constituting the great states of Oregon and Washington was embraced in the territory ceded to the United States by the Louisiana purchase, in 1803; but our government had a prior claim upon the country—the right of discovery. In 1792, during the first administration of Washington, Capt. Robert Gray, who had already carried the American flag around the globe, discovered the mouth of the Columbia river. He sailed several miles up the great stream, and landed and took possession in the name of the United States. In 1805, under Jefferson's administration, this vast territory was explored by Capt. Lewis and Clark, whose reports were popular reading for our grandfathers; but the extent and value of this distant possession was very slightly understood, and no attempt at colonization was made, save the establishment of the fur-trading station of Astoria in 1811. Strangely enough, England, too, claimed this same territory by virtue of rights ceded to it by Russia and also by the Vancouver survey of 1792. The Hudson's Bay Company established a number of trading posts, and filled the country with adventurous fur-traders. So here was a vast territory, as large as New England and the state of Indiana combined, which seemed to be without any positive ownership. But for Marcus Whitman it would have been lost to the Union. It was in 1836 that Dr. Whitman and a man by the name of Spaulding, with their young wives, the first white women that ever crossed the Rocky Mountains, entered the valley of the Columbia, and founded a mission of the American Board. They had been sent out to Christianize the Indians, but Whitman was also to build a state. He was at this time 25 years old. In his journeys to and fro for the mission, he soon saw the vast possibilities of the country, and he saw, too, that the English were already pouring into the territory. Under the terms of the treaties of 1818 and 1825, it was the tacit belief that whichever nationality settled and organized the territory, that nation would hold it. If England and the English fur-traders had been successful in their plans, the three great states of Washington, Oregon and Idaho would now constitute a part of British Columbia. But it was not destined to be. In the fall of 1842 it looked as if there would be a great pouring of English into the territory, and Dr. Whitman took the alarm. There was no time to lose. The authorities at Washington must be warned. Hastily bidding his wife adieu, Dr. Whitman mounted his horse and started on his hazardous journey. Of the perils, hardships and delays he encountered on the way we cannot stop to tell. His feet were frozen, he nearly starved, and once came very near losing his life in a great snowstorm. But nothing stayed him. He kept pushing right on, and at the end of five terrible months he reached Washington. He arrived there a worn, bearded, strangely picturesque figure, clad entirely in buckskin and fur, a typical man of the prairies. He asked audience of President Tyler and Secretary of State Webster, and it was accorded him. All clad as he was, with his frozen limbs, just in from his 4,000 miles' ride, Whitman appeared before the two great men to plead for Oregon. His statement was a revelation to the administration. Previous to Whitman's visit it was the general idea in congress that Oregon was a barren, worthless country. But only for wild beasts and wild men. He opened the eyes of the government to the limitless wealth and splendid resources of that western territory. He told them of its great rivers and fertile valleys, its mountains covered with forests and its mines filled with precious treasures. He showed them that it was a country worth keeping, and that it must not fall into the hands of the English. He spoke as a man inspired, and his words were heeded. What followed—the organization of companies of emigrants, the rapid settlement of the territory, and the treaty with Great Britain in 1846, by which the forty-ninth parallel was made the boundary line west of the Rocky Mountains.

VARICOSE VEINS.

Some Measures of Relief for This Disagreeable Malady.

According to those wise men who delight to remind us on every occasion of man's lowly origin, varicose veins are among the penalties we have to pay for standing on our hind legs instead of walking on all fours like the other animals. It is chiefly, they say, the pressure of the very high column of blood upon the comparatively thin walls of the veins that causes them to become dilated or "varicose." There are other causes, however, that do doubt contribute to the establishment of this unpleasant affection. The veins of the legs are so far from the heart that the blood in them is comparatively little influenced by either the pushing or the suction force of the heart's contraction. The contraction of the muscles of the legs, also, while in some cases it favors the emptying of the veins, in others constricts them, and dams back the blood. The constricting action of the garter naturally favors the occurrence of varicose veins, although, curiously enough, the trouble is more common in men than in women. Finally, the enlargement of the veins may be favored by a general loss of tone in the system; the muscles and all the fleshy parts become flabby and do not support the veins as they should, and the walls of the veins themselves participate in the general relaxation and dilate. The discomfort caused by varicose veins is often very severe. The limb feels heavy and distended, and there is a more or less constant, dull ache, amounting sometimes to actual pain of a burning character. Often in neglected cases, or after the trouble has lasted for a long time, ulcers form on the legs, which are very difficult to heal. More rarely a greatly distended vein may rupture, forming a purplish discoloration beneath the skin, or if the skin has become thinned it also may break and a severe hemorrhage result. There is no actual cure for varicose veins except a surgical operation, which is seldom desirable, and we must be contented usually with such relief as can be had by supporting the dilated veins by means of an elastic stocking. This should be put on immediately on rising in the morning and worn throughout the day. In severe cases the patient should remain in bed or on a lounge for a few days, with the limb raised on a pillow in order to favor the emptying of the engorged veins, while if there are any signs of inflammation, cloths wet in a cooling lotion may be laid on the part.—Youth's Companion.

AT HYMEN'S ALTAR.

In some parts of Switzerland a custom obtains for the friends of a bride to present an elaborate cheese to her on her wedding day. It is then used as a family register and heirloom—the births, deaths and marriages of the various members of the family being recorded upon it. Some of these old cheeses date back as far as 1669. A country squire exhibited one at Gessetay, at an agricultural show, which was from 179 to 180 years old. It had been an heirloom in a family residing in the canton of Vaud, after which it became the property of its present possessor, who resides in the Canton Bern.

A new fashion in wedding presents appears to be about to supersede the hackneyed one of jewelry. It taken the form of prayer books for brides and bridesmaids, covered in specially designed artistic bindings, with the initials of each recipient, and the date of the event in gold on the side. A leaf of vellum, with gold border, is also inserted in each book for the signatures of those present at the ceremony. The idea is excellent as a prayerbook is a serviceable article for daily use, and is also a memento of filling the office of bridesmaid. Apropos of honeymoons it is curious to see the many different ways in which people consider it happiest to spend that period.

Some like solitude amid fine scenery; others prefer to be alone in a crowd, or else desire a complete change from their accustomed surroundings, like a sailor who stipulated that his bride should take him well out of sight of the sea. But the most ideally perfect honeymoon, according to a sentimentalist, is when two lovers have been parted, and "after long grief and pain" they meet once more, not to be disillusioned, as sometimes happens, but to find the love of former days more than renewed. Their wedding follows swiftly on the happy meeting, and they go off with the glamour of it still in their hearts, to some place of sunny weather and perfect beauty. Such an experience of happiness as that is rare, but for those who are fortunate enough to win it the remembrance must remain a lifelong joy.

Corrected Himself.

In his earnestness the great popular orator forgot himself. "Let us not wash our party linen in public!" he cried passionately. Instantly his audience was upon its feet, crying out angrily, "I should say," faltered the orator, now, clearly much chastened, "let us not sponge our party celluloid in public!" Herupon there was much applause, followed by singing by the choir choir. (Detroit Journal)

BLAINE'S GRANDSON! A WRITER

A Very Young Contributor with a Very Big Name.

A very young contributor with a very familiar name sends this story to the Letter Box, says St. Nicholas. He calls it "Jerry." Jerry Field lived in a large house with two deaf half-blind aunts, in the upper part of New York city. Jerry often wished that he was a newsboy and could jump on cars and cry: "Extra Telegram, just out!" and not the nephew of two rich maiden aunts. But, as he could not, he had to hope for the best. One spring day, as Jerry was walking down Broadway, he saw a newsboy who looked exactly like himself. Jerry accosted him thus: "You just look like me and have the same sort of voice. Now, if you want, we'll change in some dark alley and you put on my clothes and I'll put on yours and take your papers. You go to 18 West Eighty-First street and act away think best." The transaction was no sooner said than done. So Jerry went his way and the newsboy his. In about two weeks a miserable, half-starved newsboy could have been seen crying in Central park. He, however, had not been crying long when he saw a victoria with two old ladies in it and a young boy. Jerry gave a yell and made a dash for the carriage, but it had gone and Jerry wandered back to his seat, crying bitterly. In about twenty minutes the same carriage appeared, but Jerry was not to lose it, so he cried to the coachman to stop, which he did, and Jerry made himself recognizable. When they reached home he told his story. The newsboy, however, was not to be left out. He was sent to boarding school and lived to be a great man. JAMES GILLESPIE BLAINE III.

PEOPLE OF TITLE.

Extensive improvements are to be carried out at Sandringham before October. The prince of Wales has decided to introduce incandescent light.

The Empress Eugenie has been cruising in the neighborhood of Naples in her yacht Thistie, and has visited Salerno, Talmi, Sorrento and the islands of Capri and Ischia. The empress is in much better health than when she left Cape Martin, and she will probably extend her cruise to Corfu and Palermo, it being her intention to land from the yacht at Marseilles, and she will then proceed to Paris on her way to Eaux-les-Bains.

The Queen of the Netherlands and her mother, the Queen dowager, who have been staying for three weeks at Badenweiler, in the Black forest, are now stopping at Konigswinter, near Bonn, in order that they may see something of the Queen of Sweden, who is an aunt of Queen Emma, and she is residing at Honnet, a village about two miles higher up the Rhine. Queen Wilhelmina and her mother will spend a month at the chateau of Roostdijk, near Utrecht, when they return to Holland, before setting at Huischoor for the summer.

The comtesse de Paris, who has left Villamariou, her estate in Andalusia, after a residence of seven months, has been on a visit to the duc and duchesse de Chateaufort at the chateau of Saint-Pierre, in the park at Chantilly. The comtesse de Paris and Princesses Isabelle d'Orleans are going to England shortly on a visit to the duc and duchesse d'Orleans at York house, Twickenham, and they will be the guests of the queen at Windsor castle shortly after her majesty's return from Balmoral. The comtesse de Paris intends to spend the summer and early autumn at the chateau of Randan, her beautiful domain in the Puy-de-Dome.

It Was Lucky.

The little boy's mother awoke the other night and remembered that something had been left unlocked in the lower part of the house. So she quietly stole down the stairs and attended to the errand. She was on her way upstairs again when a hoarse little whisper assailed her ears: "Who's that?"

She looked up quickly, and there on the top step, outlined against the gloom, stood the tiny white figure. And the figure's arm was outstretched, and in its small hand was a gleaming toy pistol. Of course he knew her as soon as she spoke, and was presently back in bed again, with his precious shooting iron beneath his head. At the table next morning he gravely remarked: "It was a mighty lucky thing for you, mamma, that you spoke when you did."

Strength of a Horse.

A horse will travel 100 yards in four and one-half minutes at a walk, 400 yards in two minutes at a trot, 400 yards in one minute at a gallop. The usual work of one horse is taken at 22,500 pounds raised one foot per minute for eight hours per day. A horse will carry 250 pounds twenty-five miles per day of eight hours. An average draught horse will draw 1,600 pounds twenty-three miles per day on a level road, weight of wagon included. The average weight of a horse is 1,600 pounds and his strength is equivalent to that of five men.—Atlanta Constitution

The world sometimes takes us at our own estimate, unless we are foolish enough to give ourselves away.

Beautiful Women. Should have beauty and vigor of health. A strong stomach is the first essential to beauty. Nine-tenths of the sickness comes from weak digestion. Thousands of people have tried Hostetter's Stomach Bitters and regained their health. There is nothing like it. See that a private Revenue Stamp covers the neck of the bottle.

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The Best Prescription for Chills and Fever is a bottle of GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC. It is simply iron and quinine in a tasteless form. No cure—no pay. Price, 50c.

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A miracle—a happy woman with a last year's hat.

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If you will buy three Old Virginia Cheroots and smoke them to-day you will get the greatest amount of comfort and satisfaction that 5 cents will buy in a smoke, and get it three times over! You haven't any idea how good they are and cannot have until you try them. Try three to-day instead of a 5c. cigar. Two hundred million Old Virginia Cheroots smoked this year. Ask your own dealer. Price, 3 for 5 cents.

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DO YOU KNOW in what County a title state Public Free School Land is on the market for sale?

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